

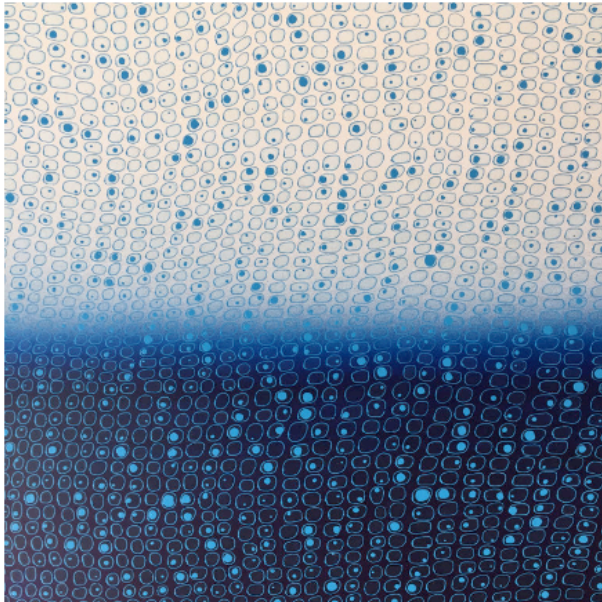
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5 Summer Shows You Need To See Before They Close

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Summer Breeze at **Margaret Thatcher Projects**



...Head two blocks south to Margaret Thatcher Projects on 25th St. and be transported by MTP's *Summer Breeze* show. (hint: the gallery owner is not being ironic- Margaret Thatcher is her real name). Upon entering the gallery, a small blue and white painting by Teo Gonzalez mesmerized us. We don't know if it was artist's intention, but the painting transported us immediately to the beach, and we imagined our feet in the fresh cool bubbly water. Maria Park's Bookend Set 8 is an abstracted blue and gray landscape painted on an acrylic cube with four books stacked next to it. It conjured images of a seaside B&B on a lazy summer morning. Color infused the show, most strikingly by Heidi Spector's two paintings *Cakewalk* and *Brain Storm*. The columnar *Cakewalk*, which is painted with brightly colored rectangles, is brilliantly situated in a small niche next to a concrete column that is part of the architecture of the gallery. It's more feminine counterpart *Brain Storm* is brightly colored mirrored chevrons. The craftsmanship on Spector's paintings is immaculate, and a must see!